## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Li et al.

Appl. No. 09/518,381

Filed: March 3, 2000

For: Human G Protein Coupled

Receptors

Confirmation No.

Art Unit: 1646

Examiner: Basi, N.

Atty. Docket: 1488.12200002

## Supplemental Reply

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated March 27, 2002 alleging a non-responsive reply, Applicants note that an Associate Power of Attorney and a Statement Concerning the Deposited cDNA Clone were filed on March 19, 2002, prior to the mailing date of the Office Action. A copy of the post card receipt stamped by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is attached hereto as Exhibit A. In view of the prior submission of the requested documents, Applicants believe that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Prompt and favorable consideration of this Supplemental Reply is respectfully requested.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in accompanying documents. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees

**-**2-

Li et al. Appl. No. 09/518,381

required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.

Elizabeth J. Haanes, Ph.D. Attorney for Applicants

Registration No. 42,613

Date: april 9, 200

1100 New York Avenue, N.W.

Suite 600

Washington, D.C. 20005-3934

(202) 371-2600

P:\USERS\BHAANES\Work Products\1488\122\1220002\suppl reply.wpd
SKGF rev 1/26/01 mac